

In the Drawings:

Please enter the enclosed one Replacement Sheet to replace the one original drawing sheet. Duplicate reference numbers "9", "23", and "37" have been changed to --19--, --43--, and --45-- respectively. Number --44-- has been added. The spelling of --EVAPORATOR-- has been corrected. These clerical corrections do not introduce any new matter.

REMARKS:

- 1) Referring to item 12) of the Office Action Summary, please acknowledge the foreign priority claim and receipt of the certified copy of the foreign priority document, which was submitted through the PCT processing of this US National Phase Application.
- 2) Referring to item 10) of the Office Action Summary, the Examiner's attention is directed to the enclosed Drawing Transmittal accompanied by one Replacement Sheet with a single Drawing Figure thereon. Duplicate reference numbers (9, 23, 37) have been changed (to 19, 43, and 45 respectively) in conformance with the written description. Reference number --44-- has been added. A spelling error in --EVAPORATOR-- has been corrected. These clerical corrections do not introduce any new matter. Please indicate the acceptance of the drawings in the next official communication.
- 3) The Examiner's attention is directed to applicants' third Information Disclosure Statement being filed together with the present Response. Please consider the cited references, and return an initialed, signed and dated acknowledgment copy of the IDS Form PTO-1449 of August 27, 2009.
- 4) In accordance with the PCT procedures, the original specification of this application was a direct literal translation of the foreign language text of the corresponding PCT International

Application. The specification has now been amended editorially and formally, to better comply with US Application format (e.g. with proper sections and section headings, without reference to specific claim numbers in the written description, and with proper content and brevity of the abstract). Also, a few portions of the translated text have been clarified or streamlined, a few errors in reference numbers and the like have been corrected, and a few additional features shown in the drawing Figure have been added to the written description (e.g. see the amendments on pages 6 and 7). The added text merely describes what is shown and disclosed in the original drawing Figure. Thus, the specification amendments do not introduce any new matter. Entry thereof is respectfully requested.

5) Further according to the PCT procedures, the original claims of this application were a direct literal translation of the foreign language claims of the corresponding PCT International Application. Claim 1 has now been amended editorially and formally to better comport with typical US claim practice, and to achieve better consistency and streamlining of the claim terminology, antecedent basis, and the like. A few minor editorial corrections have been made in claims 31 and 35. These merely editorial amendments of the claims do not introduce any new matter. Entry and consideration thereof are respectfully requested.

6) Referring to section 1 on page 2 of the Office Action, the objection to the specification has been addressed in the present

specification amendments. The specification now has the proper US format. Please withdraw the objection.

- 7) Referring to section 2 on page 2 of the Office Action, the abstract has been amended to have the proper form, content and brevity in view of the US requirements. Please withdraw any objection to the abstract.
- 8) Referring to section 4 on pages 2 to 3 of the Office Action, the rejection of claims 1, 2 and 25 to 46 as indefinite under 35 USC 112(2) has been addressed in the present claim amendments. Namely, the aspects or terminology pointed out by the Examiner have been clarified and made definite, or avoided. Accordingly, claim 1 now particularly points out and distinctly claims the inventive subject matter. The Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the rejection under 35 USC 112(2).
- 9) Referring to section 5 on page 3 of the Office Action, the prior art made of record requires no particular comments because it has not been applied against the claims. The references do not disclose and would not have suggested the combination of features as now more clearly set forth in amended claim 1.
- 10) Because the indefiniteness rejection has been addressed, and there is no prior art rejection, it is respectfully submitted that all claims should now be allowable.

11) Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application, including all present claims 1, 2 and 25 to 46, are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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